Board of Selectmen Special Meeting
Held April 11, 2018 at 4:30 PM
Town Hall Large Conference Room
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Present
Rudy Marconi, Bob Hebert, Maureen Kozlark,
Barbara Manners

Absent
Steve Zemo

Agenda
1) Budget Resolutions
2) Selectman’s Report

R. Marconi called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm and then introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That The Recommendation Of The Board Of Finance Relative To The Appropriation Of $47,520,368 For Town Expenditures (Consisting Of Town Operating Expenditures Of $36,483,714 And Debt Service Of $11,036,654 On Both Town And Education Capital Projects) For The Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2018 And Ending June 30, 2019, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town.

B. Manners moved that said resolution be adopted as introduced and read and the motion was seconded by M. Kozlark. Upon roll call vote the ayes and nays were as follows:

AYES: 4  NAYS: 0

R. Marconi thereupon declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

R. Marconi introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That The Recommendation Of The Board Of Finance Relative To The Appropriation Of $95,000,000 For Board Of Education Expenditures For The Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2018 And Ending June 30, 2019, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town.

B. Manners moved that said resolution be adopted as introduced and read and the motion was seconded by M. Kozlark. Upon roll call vote the ayes and nays were as follows:

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B. Hebert introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That The Recommendation Of The Board Of Finance Relative To The Appropriation Of $1,840,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Various Town Road And Infrastructure Improvements (including $75,000 for ADA) For The Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2018 And Ending June 30, 2019, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town.

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B. Manners introduced and read the following resolution:
RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled “Resolution Appropriating $1,350,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Venus Building Reconfiguration Improvements And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,350,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”, a copy of which is attached hereto, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town.

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R. Marconi thereupon declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

R. Marconi introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled “Resolution Appropriating $570,000 For Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Governor Street Parking Lot And Authorizing The Issuance Of $570,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”, a copy of which is attached hereto, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town.

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M. Kozlark introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled “Resolution Appropriating $690,000 For The Design And Acquisition Of A Fire Pumper Tanker And $196,301 For The Design And Acquisition Of A Highway Mack Dump Truck And Authorizing The Issuance Of $886,301 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Of $886,301 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance
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RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled “Resolution Appropriating $100,750 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Scotland Elementary School Oil Tank Removal, $121,900 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction of Scotland Elementary School Asbestos Abatement, $97,538 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Scott’s Ridge Middle School Building Automation System, $475,700 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of District Wide Technology And Facilities Safety Upgrades, And $153,500 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Ridgefield High School Cooling Tower And Authorizing The Issuance Of $949,388 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”, a copy of which is attached hereto, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town.

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R. Marconi introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled “Resolution Making Appropriations Aggregating $947,476 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition, Installation And Construction Of Various Public Improvements And Equipment And Authorizing The Issuance Of $947,476 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”, a copy of which is attached hereto, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town by Town Meeting vote.

M. Kozlark moved that said resolution be adopted as introduced and read and the motion was seconded by B. Manners. Upon roll call vote the ayes and nays were as follows:

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A motion was made by B. Manners and seconded by B. Hebert, that the First Selectman be authorized and directed to call an Annual Town Meeting to be held at the East Ridge Middle School, 10 East Ridge Road, Ridgefield, Connecticut, on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 7:30 P.M. (E.D.T.), for the following purposes: (A) To consider (1) the resolution approving Town expenditures of $47,520,368 (consisting of Town operating expenditures of $36,483,714 and debt service of $11,036,654 on both Town and Education capital projects) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019; (2) the resolution approving Board of Education expenditures of $95,000,000 for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019; (3) the resolution approving $1,840,000 for the planning, design, acquisition and construction of various Town road and infrastructure improvements (including $75,000 for ADA) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019; (4) the resolution entitled “Resolution Appropriating...
$1,350,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Venus Building Reconfiguration Improvements
And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,350,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The
Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”; (5) the resolution entitled “Resolution
Appropriating $570,000 For Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Governor Street Parking Lot And
Authorizing The Issuance Of $570,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance
Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”; (6) the resolution entitled “Resolution Appropriating
$120,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Emergency Operations Center Building and
Preschool Roof Replacements, $125,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Skydome Building
Roof Replacement, $113,000 For The Planning, Design And Acquisition Of Village Storm Drainage Study, And
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Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose (Provided That The Bonds Shall Be Reduced By The Amount Of
Any State Grants Received For Such Purpose)”; (7) the resolution entitled “Resolution Appropriating $690,000 For The
Design And Acquisition Of A Fire Pumper Tanker And $196,301 For The Design And Acquisition Of A Highway Mack Dump Truck And Authorizing The Issuance Of $866,301 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”; and (8) the resolution entitled
“Resolution Appropriating $100,750 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Scotland Elementary
School Oil Tank Removal, $121,900 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Scotland Elementary
School Asbestos Abatement, $97,538 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Scott’s Ridge Middle
School Building Automation System, $475,700 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of District Wide
Technology And Facilities Safety Upgrades, And $153,500 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Ridgefield High School Cooling Tower And Authorizing The Issuance Of $949,388 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”, (B) to consider and vote upon the resolution entitled “Resolution Making Appropriations Aggregating $947,476 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition, Installation And Construction Of Various Public Improvements And Equipment And Authorizing The Issuance Of $947,476 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”; and (C) to submit the aforesaid resolutions in (A) above to a referendum vote to be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. in accordance with the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, and pursuant to Section 10-3 of the Town Charter, and that the questions to be voted upon and the ballot labels at said referendum shall read as follows:

1. “Shall the recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to the appropriation of $47,520,368 for Town expenditures (consisting of Town operating expenditures of $36,483,714 and debt service of $11,036,654 on both Town and Education capital projects) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, be approved?”

The form of the ballot label on the voting machine shall read as follows:

“Shall the recommendation of the board of finance relative to the appropriation of $47,520,368 for town expenditures (consisting of town operating expenditures of $36,483,714 and debt service of $11,036,654 on both town and education capital projects) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, be approved? YES/NO”

2. “Shall the recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to the appropriation of $95,000,000 for Board of Education expenditures for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, be approved?”

The form of the ballot label on the voting machine shall read as follows:

“Shall the recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to the appropriation of $95,000,000 for Board of Education expenditures for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, be approved? YES/NO”

3. “Shall the recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to the appropriation of $1,840,000 for the planning, design, acquisition and construction of various Town road and infrastructure
improvements (including $75,000 for ADA) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, be approved?”

4. “Shall the Resolution Appropriating $1,350,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Venus Building Reconfiguration Improvements And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,350,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose, be approved?”

5. “Shall the Resolution Appropriating $570,000 For Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Governor Street Parking Lot And Authorizing The Issuance Of $570,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose, be approved?”

6. “Shall the Resolution Appropriating $120,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Emergency Operations Center Building and Preschool Roof Replacements, $125,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Skydome Building Roof Replacement, $113,000 For The Planning, Design And Acquisition Of Village Storm Drainage Study, And $150,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Sidewalk Improvements And Authorizing The Issuance Of $508,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose (Provided That The Bonds Shall Be Reduced By The Amount Of Any State Grants Received For Such Purpose), be approved?”

The form of the ballot label on the voting machine shall read as follows:

“Shall the resolution appropriating $1,350,000 for the planning, design, acquisition and construction of Venus Building reconfiguration improvements and authorizing the issuance of $1,350,000 bonds of the Town to meet said appropriation and pending the issuance thereof the making of temporary borrowings for such purpose, be approved? YES/NO”
7. “Shall the Resolution Appropriating $690,000 For The Design And Acquisition Of A Fire Pumper Tanker And $196,301 For The Design And Acquisition Of A Highway Mack Dump Truck And Authorizing The Issuance Of $886,301 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose, be approved?"

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“Shall the resolution appropriating $690,000 for the design and acquisition of a fire pumper tanker and $196,301 for the design and acquisition of a highway Mack dump truck and authorizing the issuance of $886,301 bonds of the Town to meet said appropriations and pending the issuance thereof the making of temporary borrowings for such purpose”, be approved? YES/NO”

8. “Shall the Resolution Appropriating $100,750 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Scotland Elementary School Oil Tank Removal, $121,900 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Scotland Elementary School Asbestos Abatement, $97,538 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Scott’s Ridge Middle School Building Automation System, $475,700 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of District Wide Technology And Facilities Safety Upgrades, And $153,500 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Ridgefield High School Cooling Tower And Authorizing The Issuance Of $949,388 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose, be approved?"

The form of the ballot label on the voting machine shall read as follows:

“Shall the resolution appropriating $100,750 for the planning, design, acquisition and construction of Scotland Elementary School oil tank removal, $121,900 for the planning, design, acquisition and construction of Scotland Elementary School asbestos abatement, $97,538 for the planning, design, acquisition and installation of Scott’s Ridge Middle School building automation system, $475,700 for the planning, design, acquisition and installation of district wide technology and facilities safety upgrades, and $153,500 for the planning, design, acquisition and installation of Ridgefield High School cooling tower and authorizing the issuance of $949,388 bonds of the Town to meet said appropriations and pending the issuance thereof the making of temporary borrowings for such purpose”, be approved? YES/NO”

and (D) to publish as provided by law notice of said Annual Town Meeting in the following form:

NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT
May 7, 2018

ELECTORS and PERSONS QUALIFIED TO VOTE AT TOWN MEETINGS of the TOWN are hereby duly notified and warned that the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING will be held at the EAST RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL, 10 EAST RIDGE ROAD, RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT, on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 7:30 P.M. (E.D.T.) for the following purposes:

1. To consider recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to appropriations for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019:

   Town Expenditures (consisting of Town operating expenditures of $36,483,714 and debt service of $11,036,654 on both Town and Education capital projects): $47,520,368

2. To consider recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to appropriations for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019:

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Board of Education Expenditures: $95,000,000

3. To consider recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to appropriations for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019:

Planning, design, acquisition and construction of various Town road and infrastructure improvements (including $75,000 for ADA): $1,840,000

4. To consider a Resolution Appropriating $1,350,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Venus Building Reconfiguration Improvements And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,350,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose.

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Items 1 through 8 on the call of the Annual Town Meeting will be voted upon by a referendum vote on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 in accordance with the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, and pursuant to Section 10-3 of the Town Charter.

9. To consider and vote upon a resolution entitled “Resolution Making Appropriations Aggregating $947,476 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition, Installation And Construction Of Various Public Improvements And Equipment And Authorizing The Issuance Of $947,476 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”.

10. To transact any other business proper to come before the meeting.
Copies of the Town budget and the proposed bond resolutions are on file and open to public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk.

Dated at Ridgefield, Connecticut this ___ day of _____, 2018.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Rudolph P. Marconi, First Selectman

Barbara R. Manners, Selectman

Maureen Kozlark, Selectman

Robert J. Hebert, Selectman

Steven Zemo, Selectman

Barbara C. Serfilippi, Town Clerk

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The First Selectman thereupon declared the motion carried.

R. Marconi spent the rest of the meeting explaining the State of Connecticut Project 117-159, Main Street Improvements with the BOS members.

B. Hebert moved and M. Kozlark seconded the motion to adjourn the BOS special meeting at 5:55 pm. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Gannon Lionetti